



Mental Health Funding and Policy Committee (MHFC)
Meeting Minutes
September 23, 2008

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Attendants: Larry Poaster, Tom Greene, Rusty Selix, Patricia Ryan, Don Kingdon, Wayne Clark(Phone), Richard Van Horn, Mark Heilman(Phone), Dede Ranahan, Meredith Wurden, Mareva Brown, Eleanor Prouty, Stephanie Welch, Sheri Whitt, Beverly Whitcomb, Jose Oseguera, Matt Lieberman, Janna Lowder (staff)

Agenda Item	Discussion/	Action	Individual Responsible
I. Welcome / Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Both Co-Chairs extended a warm welcome to all attendees. ➤ Changes to the Agenda: “Overall MHSA Finances” and “Important Issues Facing the Communities” traded places on the agenda. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Tom Greene, Larry Poaster
II. Review and Approve Minutes from August 19, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Minutes from the August Committee Meeting were approved. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Richard Van Horn moved to approve the minutes and was seconded by Rusty Selix. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Tom Greene, Larry Poaster, Richard Van Horn, Rusty Selix
III. Committee Charter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Sheri provided background information and an update on the charter. ➤ Discussion on the policy component of the committee. ➤ Discussion on the Supplantation/MOE Workgroup Summary Report. The two major issues, identified in the report, that the Commission had wanted the funding committee to look at, were the topics of incursion and reversion. ➤ Discussion on the responsibilities of 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Sheri Whitt

	<p>the committee. It was determined that it is up to the discretion of the committee to what additional responsibilities should be taken on.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The role of the committee was defined as an expert body who takes an in-depth look at issues which will be presented to the Commission. The expert body then provides the Commission with recommendations and the Commission makes the final decisions. ➤ Discussion on the Draft Charter Language. Suggested Changes include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Add an additional criterion to appear as number 5 under Outcomes. This criterion should be regarding the consideration of best practices when developing recommendations. - Under Roles and Responsibilities add section 5892 a (4). - Add the language “wellbeing” into the charter language. - Include section 5600.3 of the WIC at the end of item 6 under Roles and Responsibilities. - Add language regarding the monitoring of reversion. - Add the language “state and local level” under Roles and Responsibilities, item 1, bullet 3. ➤ Discussion of the New Zealand Report. ➤ Discussion on developing language to identify appropriate topics to be discussed within committees to avoid potential conflict of interest issues. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Charter language will be revised to incorporate all suggestions. The revised document will be placed on the October Agenda for discussion. ➤ This concept will be discussed with legal counsel and direction will be provided. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Janna Lowder ➤ Richard Van Horn ➤ Sheri Whitt
IV. Overall Finances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mark presented information on the following topic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Revenue projections - Amounts available per MHSA component in 2009-10 on a cash basis. - How amounts, per component, are determined. ➤ Mark, or DMH representative, will be taking over the monthly funding reports, previously completed by Carol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A funding report will be prepared for each committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mark Heilman ➤ Mark Heilman

	<p>Hood. He will present these reports at each committee meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mark identified that DMH is working to complete a report which identifies dollar amounts, by component, by fiscal year, and requested by counties. DMH is working with the State Controllers Office (SCO) to obtain distribution records. Once a report is finalized, it will be emailed to the committee members and could potentially be available on a quarterly basis. ➤ Discussion on projections or estimates regarding CSS dollars for fiscal year 2010/11. This projection can help counties budget for the prudent reserve. ➤ Discussion on the amount of undistributed MHSF dollars. 	<p>meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A report will be provided on up-to-date information on the amounts of uncommitted MHSF dollars. ➤ DMH will work with MHSOAC Staff on the best way of displaying funding information and developing FAQs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mark Heilman ➤ Mark Heilman
<p>V. Important Funding Issues Facing Communities Regarding MHSA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Presentation on mental health funding sources and the mental health service fund being relied on more to fund mental health programs. Changes occurring in the funding sources were identified (i.e., decreases of realignment, decreases in Medi-Cal, elimination of Children's Systems of Care (SOC), etc.). ➤ Explanation and discussion of pie charts which display community mental health funding. Identification of potential trends occurring with the funding sources. ➤ Discussion on OSAE Reports. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ All three OSAE reports will be emailed to all members. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Don Kingdon, Patricia Ryan ➤ Don Kingdon, Patricia Ryan ➤ Janna Lowder

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Discussion on indirect costs for counties, such as reports. These costs are taken out of the money for services. ➤ Discussion regarding the possibility of providing counties with the opportunities to discuss their funding dynamics with the Commission. 		
VI. Discussion Concerning the Two Tiered System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Discussion on Rose King's letter. ➤ Discussion on how to rectify the unintended consequences from the CSS regulations and to alleviate the two tiered system ➤ Possible next steps include a group drafting a re-interpretation of the guidelines. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A report will be provided to the committee on the best way to draft a paper identifying how to provide non-exclusive services through MHSA. A potential draft on re-interpreting the CSS guidelines will be provided. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Dede Ranahan, Sheri Whitt ➤ Patricia Ryan, Dede Ranahan, Rusty Selix
VII. Discussion Concerning Supplantation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Discussion on Supplantation and the current budget reductions. ➤ Discussion on possibly developing a document which could address all FAQs regarding supplantation and developed using language which all individuals can understand. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Legal advice will be sought regarding the recent budget cuts and whether they constitute as supplantation. ➤ Specific language on the budget cuts will be sent to Sheri. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Sheri Whitt, Larry Poaster ➤ Rusty Selix
VIII. DMH Corrective Action Plan Update and Action Items from August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Sheri provided an update of the DMH Corrective Action Plan. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Sheri Whitt

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IX. October Report: Workplan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Potential topics for the October report to the Commission include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Revised Charter - Draft document from Patricia, Dede, and Rusty. - Update on the DMH Corrective Action Plan - OSAE Reports - Discussion on the process this committee is taking to discuss topics such as the two-tiered system 		
X. Action Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Action items were assigned during the meeting in preparation of the next meeting, in September. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Charter language will be revised to incorporate all suggestions. The revised document will be placed on the October Agenda for discussion. ➤ The concept of conflict of interest will be discussed with legal counsel and direction will be provided. ➤ A funding report will be prepared for each committee meeting. ➤ A report will be provided on up-to-date information on the amounts of uncommitted MHSF dollars. ➤ DMH will work with MHSOAC Staff on the best way of displaying funding information and developing FAQs. ➤ All three OSAE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Janna Lowder ➤ Sheri Whitt ➤ Mark Heilman ➤ Mark Heilman ➤ Mark Heilman ➤ Janna Lowder

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XI. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Potential days for the October committee meeting are October 20, 21, or 22. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ An email will be sent to all members to identify the day which works for members. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Tom Greene, Larry Poaster, Janna Lowder